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LOCAL WOMEN'S PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP FEATURED AT BEAVERTON CITY HALL THROUGH FEBRUARY

BEAVERTON, Ore. – Through February, the Beaverton Arts Commission (BAC) will feature works by the group Women Learning Photography Together. The artworks can be found on all three floors of Beaverton City Hall (4755 SW Griffith Drive.) A public reception where residents can meet the photographers will be held on the third floor of Beaverton City Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 9 at 6 p.m.

"The women of this photography group have captured some beautiful images," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "Their passion for this medium can be seen through their varied works and I encourage all to view this innovative exhibit."

Woman Learning Photography Together presents its first group photography exhibit. The featured exhibit, "Growing Together," displays more than 90 images. The photography group was formed in 2008 and currently has more than 150 active members. All women with an interest in improving their photography skills are welcome to join. For more information, please visit www.MeetUp.com/NEW-Women-Learning-Photography-Together/.

Beaverton City Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All artworks are for sale.

The Beaverton Arts Commission also has revolving art exhibits at Providence St. Vincent Hospital (9205 Southwest Barnes Road), Cedar Hills Recreation Center (11640 SW Park Way), and the Artisan Salon (4430 SW Lombard Avenue). For more information, please contact Elaine Orcutt at 503-526-2299 or eorcutt@BeavertonOregon.gov.

ABOUT THE CITY'S BEAVERTON ARTS COMMISSION

The BAC contributes significantly to the quality of life in Beaverton by presenting artistic and cultural events that celebrate community values and help connect residents to their artistic and cultural heritage. The BAC presents annual events such as Last Tuesdays, the Visual Arts Showcase and Ten Tiny Dances. In addition, the BAC leads public art projects, including Beaverton's mural program. For more information about the Beaverton Arts

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Commission, visit www.BeavertonArts.org, call 503-526-2288 or the event information line at 503-526-2379, or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/beavertonarts.org.

ABOUT BEAVERTON

Beaverton enjoys one of the most diverse populations among Oregon cities. Most recently, the city was awarded the **2012 Mayors' Climate Protection Award** from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was one of just four cities of its size recently recognized as a **"Smarter City" energy leader by the Natural Resources Defense Council** and **one of the 100 Best Places to Live in America** by *Money* magazine. In addition, Beaverton has been named **one of the safest cities in the Pacific Northwest** for three consecutive years, as one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine, an **All-America City finalist**, as **one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement** by *Forbes.com*, **one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America** by *Prevention* magazine, the **Recycler of the Year** from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, a **Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation, a **Bronze Award Bicycle Friendly Community** designation by the League of American Bicyclists and as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**, the Beaverton Community Vision program was named **Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter. For more information, please visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofbeaverton.

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